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Action:
HFD-550

NDA 20-809

Applicant: **Alcon Laboratories**

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Trade (generic) name/dosage form: Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution, 0.1%

Applicant Indication(s) previously approved: N/A

Pediatric labeling of approved indication(s) is adequate _____ inadequate _____

Indication in this application: for the treatment of postoperative inflammation in patients who have undergone cataract extraction

(For supplements, answer the following questions in relation to the proposed indication.)

- _____ 1. **PEDIATRIC LABELING IS ADEQUATE.** Appropriate information has been submitted in this or previous applications and has been adequately summarized in the labeling to permit satisfactory labeling for all pediatric subgroups. Further information is not required.
- _____ 2. **PEDIATRIC STUDIES ARE NEEDED.** There is potential for use in children, and further information is required to permit adequate labeling for this use.
- _____ a. A new dosing formation is needed, and applicant has agreed to provide the appropriate formulation.
- _____ b. The applicant has committed to doing such studies as will be required.
- _____ (1) Studies are ongoing,
_____ (2) Protocols were submitted and approved.
_____ (3) Protocols were submitted and are under review.
_____ (4) If no protocol has been submitted, explain the status on the back of this form.
- _____ c. If the sponsor is not willing to do pediatric studies, attach copies of FDA's written request that such studies be done and of the sponsor's written response to that request.
- X 3. **PEDIATRIC STUDIES ARE NOT NEEDED.** The drug/biologic product has little potential for use in children. Explain why pediatric studies are not needed.: The indication is not common in children.
- _____ 4. **EXPLAIN.** If none of the above apply, explain, as necessary, on the back of this form.

EXPLAIN, AS NECESSARY, ANY OF THE FOREGOING ITEMS ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM.

SA CSO
Signature of Preparer and Title (PM, CSO, MO, other)

April 8, 1998
Date

cc: Original **NDA 20-809**
HFD-550/DIV File
NDA Action Package
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NOTE: A new Pediatric Page must be completed at the time of each action even though one was prepared at the time of the last action.

PART 15. DEBARMENT STATEMENT

Pursuant to section 306(k)(1) of the Federal, Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, Alcon Laboratories, Inc., certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the applicant did not and will not use in any capacity in connection with this application, the services of any person listed pursuant to section 306(e) as debarred under subsections 306(a) or (b) of the Act.

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March 6, 1998

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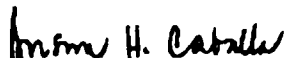
Re: **NDA 20-809 Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%**
Amendment to a Pending NDA

Dear Dr. Chambers:

In response to our discussions with both Ms. Charlotte Yaciw and Dr. Hasmukh Patel, please find a revised response to Issue 3 and a revised stability protocol commitment. We have included weight loss as a specification to samples stored in an inverted position.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,


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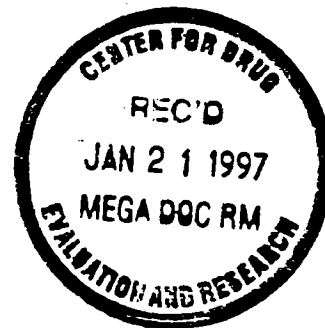
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January 17, 1997

Ms. Joanne Holmes
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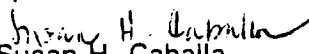
Re: NDA 20-809
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%

Dear Joanne:

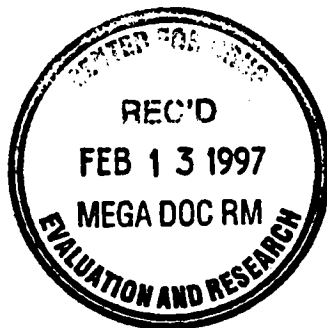
Per your request, please find 6 additional copies of Summary Volume 1.1.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,


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February 5, 1997

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Re: NDA 20-809
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the provisions of 21 CFR § 314.52(b), Alcon is amending its application to certify that a notice has been provided to Ciba Geigy Corporation (identified under paragraph (a) of this section) on February 5, 1997. Alcon further certifies that the notice met the content requirement under paragraph (c) of this section.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Susan H. Caballa
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Sincerely,

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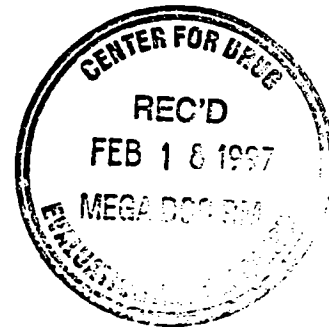
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RE: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%

Dear Madam or Sir:

Per Ms. Holmes' request of February 7, 1997, please find attached a table showing the establishment registration numbers for the facilities cited in the NDA.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan H. Caballa".

Susan H. Caballa
Associate Director
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Attachment

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Re: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
Amendment to a Pending Application

Dear Sir/Madam:

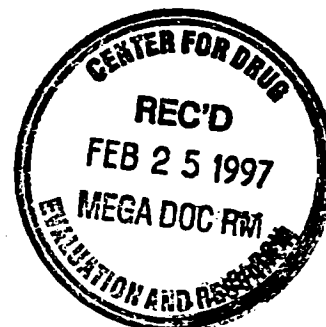
Pursuant to the provisions of 21 CFR § 314.52(e), Alcon is amending its application to provide documentation of receipt of the notice of certification of noninfringement of a patent sent to the Ciba Geigy Corporation [identified under paragraph (a) of this section] on February 5, 1997. Ciba Geigy acknowledged receipt of said notice on February 12, 1997. Copy of the certified mail receipt is appended.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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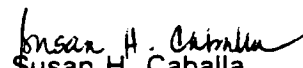
Re: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
Amendment to a Pending Application

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the provisions of 21 CFR § 314.53(c)(2)(i) and (ii), Alcon is amending its application to provide additional patent information. Patent 5,603,929 was assigned to Alcon Laboratories on February 18, 1997 with an expiration date of November 16, 2014. An original declaration and a copy of the patent are appended.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,


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April 15, 1997

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RE: NDA 20-809
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%

Dear Madam or Sir:

Per Ms. Holmes' request, please find attached a signature page regarding the above referenced NDA.

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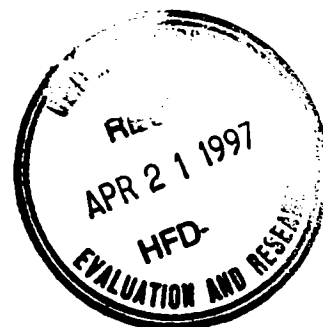
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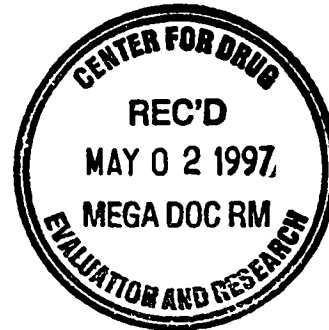
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April 28, 1997

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Re: NDA 20-809
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
Part 9 - Safety Update Report

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed three (3) copies (one Archival, one Clinical review copy and one Pharmacology review copy) of Part 9, four month Safety Update Report for the above referenced NDA which was submitted on December 20, 1996.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require further information.

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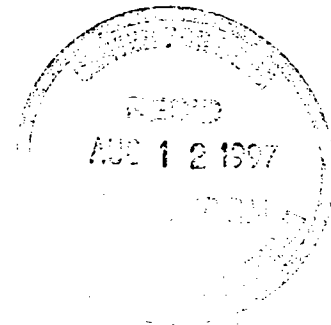
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August 6, 1997

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Acting Director
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Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
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Document Control Room
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Re: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
Intent to Amend

Dear Dr. Weintraub:

Reference is made to your non-approvable letter dated July 29, 1997 for Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution, 0.1%. Pursuant to the conditions outlined under 21 CFR 314.120(a)(1), please be advised that Alcon intends to file an amendment to the NDA. This constitutes an agreement on Alcon's part to extend the review period under 21 CFR 314.60. In addition, pursuant to the provisions of 21 CFR 314.102(d), Alcon will be requesting a formal meeting with Agency officials to discuss what further steps need to be taken by Alcon before the application can be approved. The request for a formal meeting with the agenda and meeting participants will be sent under separate cover.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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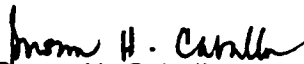
Re: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
Amendment to a Pending Application

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the provisions of 21 CFR § 314.53(c)(2)(i) and (ii), Alcon is amending its application to provide additional patent information. Patent 5,653,972 was assigned to Alcon Laboratories on August 5, 1997 with an expiration date of November 16, 2014. An original declaration and a copy of Patent 5,653,972 are appended.

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Sincerely,


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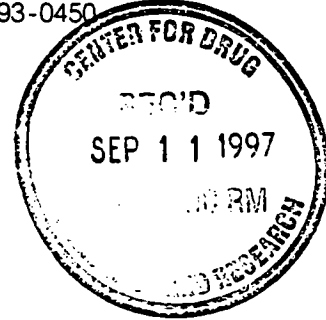
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September 10, 1997

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Re: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
Amendment to a Pending Application

Dear Dr. Weintraub:

On behalf of Alcon, I would like to start by expressing our appreciation to you and your staff for taking the time to meet with us to review your non-approvable letter of July 29, 1997 and the comments/suggestions by Dr. Chambers in our telephone conversation of August 29, 1997. It was a very productive meeting which I believe resolved all the clinical issues. A copy of the minutes is enclosed as Attachment 1. I would like to request a copy of your minutes for our files.

As agreed at the meeting, the materials presented are being submitted as a formal amendment to the NDA (Attachment 2). Under separate cover, an electronic version of the Alcon presentation in Word 6.0 is being forwarded to Ms. Lissante C. LoBianco, Acting Supervisory Project Manager.

Our response to your request for additional CMC information is provided in Attachment 3. We have already responded to issue number 15 on August 20, 1997.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Susan H. Caballa
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cc: Dr. W. Chambers
Dr. E. Ludwig
Ms. L. LoBanco

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October 24, 1997

Ms. Lissante C. LoBianco
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Re: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
Amendment to a Pending Application

Dear Lissante:

In response to your telephone request on October 21, 1997, please find your desk copy of the mock labeling (carton and primary container label) for the 2.5 mL and 5.0 mL sizes. This product will be marketed by Falcon Ophthalmics, Alcon's generic marketing arm. Falcon is located in Alcon's corporate headquarters in Fort Worth.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (817) 568-6296.

Sincerely,

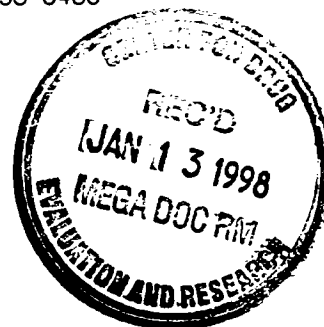
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January 6, 1998

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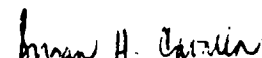
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I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,


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January 30, 1998

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Re: NDA 20-809
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%

Dear Dr. Chambers:

Attached please find our response to the approvable letter dated January 5, 1998. Included are: revised labeling (package insert, carton and label), an updated stability report which supports expiry dating of 18 and 24 months for the 2.5 and 5 mL fill sizes, respectively, a revised post approval stability protocol which addresses the stability of the product when stored in both the upright and inverted positions, and a revised "Paragraph IV Certification" which addresses United States Patent No. 4,960,799.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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February 24
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Re: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%

Dear Dr. Chambers:

Re Ms. Lori Gorsky's request of February 20, 1998, please find four copies of the Methods Validation Package: one archival copy, one review copy and two field copies. I have included the latest draft labeling (container, carton and package insert) submitted in our January 30, 1998 amendment.

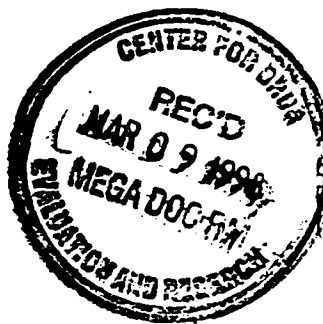
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February 27, 1998

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Re: **NDA 20-809 Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%**
Amendment to a Pending NDA

Dear Dr. Chambers:

In response to Ms. Charlotte Yaciw's telephone request of February 26, 1998, please find a revised response to Issue 3 and a revised stability protocol commitment. We have included a diclofenac assay to samples stored in an inverted position.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Susan H. Caballa
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March 3, 1998

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Re: NDA 20-809
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
General Correspondence

Dear Lori:

Per my conversation with Ms. Charlotte Yaciw yesterday, please find better art copies of the carton and container label for the professional sample size. I have been assured by our Art Department that the final printed labeling will be more readable because of the color contrast that will be used.

If these are acceptable, we can go ahead and order final printed labeling and will forward them to you once they become available.

Thank you for forwarding these to Ms. Yaciw.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require further information.

Sincerely,

Susan H. Caballa
Susan H. Caballa
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March 4, 1998

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Chemistry Team Leader
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Re: NDA 20-809
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
Amendment to Pending NDA

Dear Dr. Patel,

Reference is made to the revised stability protocol commitment submitted to the FDA February 27, 1998. As discussed today with Mr. Scott Krueger, Alcon agrees to revise its stability protocol to monitor weight loss for samples stored in an inverted position for the first three production batches.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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Susan H. Caballa
Associate Director
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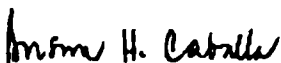
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Dear Dr. Chambers:

In response to our discussions with both Ms. Charlotte Yaciw and Dr. Hasmukh Patel, please find a revised response to Issue 3 and a revised stability protocol commitment. We have included weight loss as a specification to samples stored in an inverted position.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,


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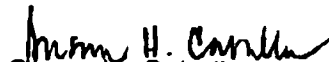
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Dear Dr. Chambers:

Per my conversation with Ms. Lori Gorski today, Alcon agrees to revise the Rx legend in the container label, carton and package insert to state "Rx Only" in accordance with the FDA Modernization Act.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,


Susan H. Caballa
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Re: NDA 20-809 Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%
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Dear Dr. Chambers:

Per your telephone request of April 13, 1998, please find additional information on the three cases of endophthalmitis cited in the Safety Update Report submitted on April 6, 1998. In each of these three cases, the investigators deemed the infection to be not related or unlikely to be related to the study medication.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Susan H. Caballa
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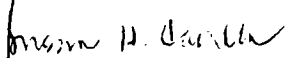
Dear Dr. Chambers:

Per your telephone request today, we broke the code for the 3 reported cases of endophthalmitis.

Patient Number	Country	Study Drug
816	France	Voltaren (CIBA)
616	Germany	Diclofenac (Alcon)
110	Mexico	Diclofenac (Alcon)

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,


Susan H. Caballa
Assoc. Director
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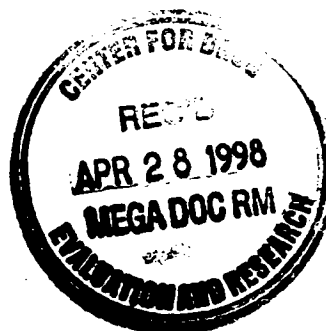
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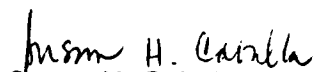
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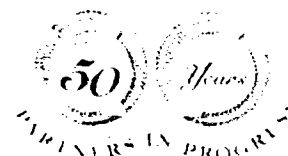
Dear Dr. Chambers:

Please find attached a true art copy of the package insert for Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution, 0.1%. This is identical to the draft labeling submitted on January 30, 1998, except for changing the prescription legend to read "Rx Only" as per the new regulations and using all capital letters for VOLTAREN OPHTHALMIC® and CIBA VISION OPHTHALMICS®.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,


Susan H. Caballa
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Alcon Laboratories, Inc.
Attention: Susan H. Caballa
Associate Director, Regulatory Affairs
6201 South Freeway
Fort Worth, Texas 76134-2099

Dear Ms. Caballa:

We have received your new drug application (NDA) submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for the following:

Name of Drug Product: Diclofenac sodium ophthalmic solution, 0.1 %

Therapeutic Classification: Standard

Date of Application: December 20, 1996

Date of Receipt: December 23, 1996

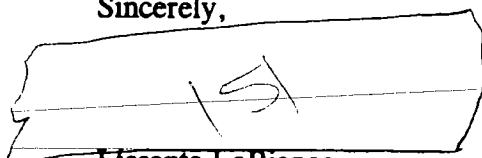
Our Reference Number: 20-809

Unless we notify you within 60 days of our receipt date that the application is not sufficiently complete to permit a substantive review, this application will be filed under section 505(b) of the Act on February 21, 1997, in accordance with 21 CFR 314.101(a).

If you have any questions, please contact Joanne M. Holmes, M.B.A., Project Manager, at (301) 827-2090.

Please cite the NDA number listed above at the top of the first page of any communications concerning this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Lissante LoBianco", is written over a rectangular box. To the right of the box, the date "1/9/97" is handwritten.

Lissante LoBianco
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January 6, 1997

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Re: **NDA 20-809**
Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1%

Dear Joanne:

Please find the CANDAs for the above named NDA submitted on December 20, 1996. The entire dossier is in Wordperfect 5.1/5.2 on 3.5 inch micro-diskettes. Additionally, the Case Report Tabulations are provided in Lotus 1-2-3 spreadsheets on the same media. The clinical biostatistics SAS data sets are also provided electronically on 3.5 inch micro-diskettes. The electronic version is a true copy of the hard copy. Please note one exception: in the appendix to Part 3.B.7, Tab. 26, the hard copy indicates version 0 (handwritten); the electronic version will indicate version 1. The text however is identical to the electronic version.

I may be reached at (817) 568-6296 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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December 20, 1996

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Re: **NDA 20-809**
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Original New Drug Application

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 505(b)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and 21 CFR 314.54, a New Drug Application (NDA) for Diclofenac Sodium Ophthalmic Solution 0.1% is hereby submitted. The drug product is an ophthalmic solution indicated for the treatment of postoperative inflammation in patients who have undergone cataract extraction.

Majority of the preclinical and clinical information in support of the safety and efficacy of this drug product are based on published literature and studies conducted by Geigy in support of Voltaren® tablets (NDA-19-201) and studies conducted by Ciba Vision Ophthalmics in support of Voltaren Ophthalmic Solution (NDA 20-037). The applicant is submitting the application under Section 505(b)(2) since the studies relied upon by the applicant were not conducted by or for the applicant and the applicant has not obtained a right of reference or use from the persons who conducted the investigations.

The Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992 does not require an applicant to pay a fee for an application filed under Section 505(b)(2) unless the application is for a new molecular entity which is an active ingredient or an indication for a use that has not been approved under a Section 505(b) application. This 505(b)(2) application therefore does not require a user fee because diclofenac sodium, the active ingredient, is not a new molecular entity (approved in NDAs cited above). The indication for treatment of postoperative inflammation after cataract surgery has been approved under NDA 20-037.

The application consists of an Archival and Technical Review copy. The Archival copy consists of 14 volumes and an overall index is located in Volume 1.1. The Technical Review copy consists of volumes for:

- Chemistry
- Pharmacology
- Human Pharmacokinetics
- Microbiology (Aseptic Manufacturing Processes)
- Clinical
- Statistics

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We are holding three copies of the Methods Validation Package and will send them upon FDA request.

A copy of the Chemistry and Microbiology sections have been sent to the District Office in Dallas, Texas.

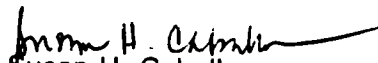
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CANDA: A desk copy will be provided under separate cover which consists of the entire dossier in Wordperfect 5.1/5.2 on 3.5 inch micro-diskettes. Additionally, the Case Report Tabulations will be provided in Lotus 1-2-3 spreadsheets on the same media. The clinical biostatistics SAS data sets are also provided electronically on 3.5 inch micro-diskettes. These diskettes will be sent to the attention of Ms. Joanne Holmes, Project Manager. The electronic version is a true copy of the hard copy. Please note one exception: in the appendix to Part 3.B.7, Tab. 26, the hard copy indicates version 0 (handwritten); the electronic version will indicate version 1. The text however is identical to the electronic version.

GLP Compliance Statements: In Part 2.E., Summary of Nonclinical Pharmacology & Toxicology, copies of the GLP Compliance Statements, which can be found in Part 5, are reproduced.

If there are any questions regarding the content or format of this application or CANDA, please contact me at (817) 568-6296. If I am not available and you need a response to your inquiry, please contact Cheryl Anderson at (817) 551-4325.

Sincerely,


Susan H. Caballa
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Regulatory Affairs

cc: Ms. Joanne Holmes, Project Manager, HFD-550